

REISSUE APPLICATION DECLARATION BY THE INVENTOR

Docket Number

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My address and citizenship are stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor of the subject matter which is described and claimed in patent number 6,546,830 B2 granted April 15, 2003 and for which a reissue patent is sought on the invention entitled:

TRANSMISSION DEVICE OF FOUR-WHEEL DRIVE VEHICLE

the specification of which

☒ is attached hereto.

☐ was filed on _____ as reissue application number _____ and was amended on _____ (if applicable)

I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR 1.56.

I verily believe the original patent to be wholly or partly inoperative or invalid, for the reasons described below. (Check all boxes that apply.)

- ☐ by reason of a defective specification or drawing.
- ☒ by reason of the patentee claiming more or less than he had the right to claim in the patent.
- ☐ by reason of other errors.

At least one error upon which reissue is based is described below. If the reissue is a broadening reissue, such must be stated with an explanation as to the nature of the broadening:

The transmission device of the invention was claimed too narrowly. The invention includes inventive features, such as those provided by the Examiner in '830 patent's December 12, 2002 Notice of Allowability, that are applicable to both front engine - front drive (FF) based and front engine - rear drive (FR) based four-wheel drive vehicles. New claims 14-19 (numbered after patent issuance), have been added which are of different scope than current claims 1-13 of the '830 patent.

All errors corrected in this reissue application arose without any deceptive intention on the part of the applicant.

As the named inventor, I hereby appoint all attorneys of McGinn & Gibb, PLLC who are listed under the USPTO Customer Number shown below as my attorneys to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the United States Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith, recognizing that the specific attorneys listed under that Customer Number may be changed from time to time at the sole discretion of McGinn & Gibb, PLLC, and request that all correspondence about the application be addressed to the address filed under the same USPTO Customer Number.

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PATENT TRADEMARK OFFICE

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine and imprisonment, or both, under 18 U.S.C. 1001, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application, any patent issued thereon, or any patent to which this declaration is directed.

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<input type="checkbox"/> Additional joint inventors are named on separately numbered sheets attached hereto.	

**REISSUE APPLICATION: CONSENT OF ASSIGNEE;
STATEMENT OF NON-ASSIGNMENT**

This is part of the application for a reissue patent based on the original patent identified below.

Name of Patentee(s) Kazuo KANAZAWA

Patent Number 6,546,830 B2

Date Patent Issued April 15, 2003

Title of Invention TRANSMISSION DEVICE OF FOUR-WHEEL DRIVE VEHICLE

1. ☒ Filed herein is a statement under 37 CFR 3.73(b). (Form PTO/SB/96)
2. ☐ Ownership of the patent is in the inventor(s), and no assignment of the patent is in effect.

One of boxes 1 or 2 above must be checked. If multiple assignees, complete this form for each assignee. If box 2 is checked, skip the next entry and go directly to "Name of Assignee".

The written consent of all assignees and inventors owning an undivided interest in the original patent is included in this application for reissue.

The assignee(s) owning an undivided interest in said original patent is/are
and the assignee(s) consents to the accompanying application for reissue.

Fuji Jukogyo K.K.

Name of assignee/inventor (if not assigned) Fuji Jukogyo Kabushiki Kaisha

Signature Masayuki Ohashi

Date July 3, 2003

Typed or printed name and title of
person signing for assignee (if assigned) Masayuki Ohashi, Manager, Intellectual Property Dept.

STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 3.73(b)

Applicant/Patent Owner: Fuji Jukogyo Kabushiki Kaisha

Application No./Patent No.: 09/951,765/6,546,830 B2 Filed/Issue Date: Sep. 13, 2001/Apr. 15, 2003

Entitled: TRANSMISSION DEVICE OF FOUR-WHEEL DRIVE VEHICLE

Fuji Jukogyo Kabushiki Kaisha, a corporation,

(Name of Assignee)

(Type of Assignee, e.g., corporation, partnership, university, government agency, etc.)

states that it is:

1. ☒ the assignee of the entire right, title, and interest; or
2. ☐ an assignee of less than the entire right, title and interest.
The extent (by, percentage) of its ownership interest is _____ %
in the patent application/patent identified above by virtue of either:

A. ☒ An assignment from the inventor(s) of the patent application/patent identified above. The assignment was recorded in the United States Patent and Trademark Office on January 11, 2002 at Reel 012472, Frame 0357.

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B. ☐ A chain of title from the inventor(s), of the patent application/patent identified above, to the current assignee as shown below:

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The undersigned (whose title is supplied below) is authorized to act on behalf of the assignee.

July 3, 2003

Date

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Title

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:

Kazuo KANAZAWA

Reissue Application of U.S. Patent
No.: 6,546,830 B2 Issued: April 15, 2003

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For: TRANSMISSION DEVICE OF FOUR-WHEEL DRIVE VEHICLE

OFFER TO SURRENDER PATENT

MAIL STOP REISSUE


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Sir:

Applicants hereby offer to surrender U.S. Patent No. 6,546,830 B2 to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (PTO), upon the Examiner indicating allowable claims in the above-identified Reissue Application.

Respectfully submitted,

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